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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Mireille MAUBRU et al.

Application No.: 09/759,530

Filed: January 16, 2001

For: DETERGENT COSMETIC

COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING A

SPECIFIC AMPHOTERIC

STARCH, AND USES THEREOF

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Further to the Final Office Action dated July 16, 2002, with the period for response having been extended to January 16, 2003, by the petition and fee filed concurrently herewith, and to fulfill the requirements of a "submission" to accompany a Request for Continued Examination as required by 37 CFR § 1.114 (filed herewith), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the foregoing amendments.

Please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 11, 19, 35, and 36 without prejudice.

Please replace claims 1, 12, 16, 20, and 31 with the following substitute amended claims:

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